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SUBJECT: EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS: OFFICIAL

TRAVEL - GLEN FISHER

1. AS PART OF A PROJECT TO ASSESS FACTORS WHICH SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN CU PROGRAMS IN NEXT TWO TO THREE YEARS, CU PLANS SEND GLEN FISHER, ADVISOR FOR POLICY DEVELOPMENT IN CU'S OFFICE OF POLICY AND PLANS, TO VISIT POST IN MAY FOR CONSULTATIONS. IN MAKING PILOT STUDY IN MIDDLE EAST AREA, HE WILL BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN GATHERING THINKING AND IDEAS FROM POST OFFICERS AND OTHERS IN INTERNATIONAL OR LOCAL COMMUNITY AS APPROPRIATE REGARDING ASPECTS OF PSYCHOLOGICAL CLIMATE GERMANE TO FUTURE DIALOGUE, NATURE OF CROSS-CULTURAL COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS, NEED AND PROSPECTS FOR INCREASED REVERSE COMMUNICATIONS FLOW, AND DIRECTION HOST COUNTRY DESIRES FOR INTELLECTUAL AND CULTURAL RELATIONS WITH THE U.S. SIMILAR PROJECT WAS CARRIED OUT IN SOUTHEAST ASIA LAST YEAR.

2. THIS PROJECT IS NOT CONCERNED WITH OPERATIONAL ASPECTS OF PRESENT PROGRAMS NOR WITH CURRENT COUNTRY PLANS. OBJECT IS ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH WHAT THE GENERAL PATTERNS

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OF CHANGING FACTORS ARE IN THE AREA AS A BASIS FOR FURTHER

CONSIDERATION OF OVERALL PROGRAM DIRECTION. TRIP WILL
INCLUDE IRAN AND THEN THREE SUB-SAHARA AFRICAN COUNTRIES.

3. FISHER PLANS ARRIVE TWA 840 MAY 4, 4:35 PM. AND WILL
BE IN COUNTRY FOR ABOUT TWO AND ONE HALF WEEKS. WHILE
POST MAY WANT TO GIVE ADVANCE CONSIDERATION TO POSSIBLE
APPOINTMENTS, DETAILS CAN BE ARRANGED AFTER ARRIVAL.
LETTER TO PAO WILL FOLLOW. PLEASE MAKE HOTEL RESERVATION.

4. PLEASE INFORM DEPARTMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF TIMING
OR OTHER FACTORS INDICATE THAT ANY CHANGE IN PLAN SHOULD
BE MADE. SISCO

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